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RECORD OF ACTIONS (7/30/53)

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4. 867. DECLINE IN U.S. PRESTIGE ABROAD

Directed the Psychological Strategy Board to prepare for Council consideration a study of the decline in U.S. prestige abroad, with particular reference to the following questions:

- a. When did the decline in prestige commence?
- \underline{b}_{\bullet} What were major causes which contributed to the decline, and their relative importance?
- c. When did our prestige reach its lowest ebb?
- <u>d</u>. Has our prestige in the world undergone any significant change in the last six months?
- e. What action should the U.S. take to improve the existing situation?

NOTE: The above action subsequently referred to the Psychological Strategy Board for implementation.

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